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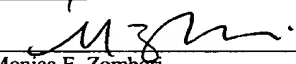
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Heikkila et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1651  
Serial No.: 08/928,893 ) Confirmation No. 1188  
For: Process for the Simultaneous ) Primary Examiner: David M.  
Production of Xylitol and Ethanol ) Naff  
Filed: September 12, 1997 )

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Submitted herewith are the following documents in response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2003:

- Amendment
- Copy of Assignment of Finnish Patent Apl. No. 900220
- Copy of Assignment of U.S. Serial No. 297,791
- "Extract from the Trade Register of the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland"
- Copy of an Assignment of the subject application

Applicants hereby request a **two-month extension of time** for response to the Office Action, which was mailed from the PTO on August 4, 2003.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NUMBER OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE (\$)	FEE (\$)
BASIC FEE					
TOTAL CLAIMS	31	-24 =	7	18.00	126.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	-3 =	0	86.00	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT				280.00	0
Number extra must be zero or larger				TOTAL	126.00

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1. Please charge the extension of time fee of **\$420.00** to same.
2. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit account No. **11-0600**.
3. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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NATIONAL BOARD OF PATENTS AND REGISTRATION OF FINLAND

EXTRACT FROM THE TRADE REGISTER

Company name: Xyrofin Oy

Business Identity Code: 0138703-2

Trade Register Number: 118.970

Company Registered: 01.09.1950

Company Form: limited liability company

Domicile: Kotka

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Register entries:

COMPANY NAME (reg. 23.10.1991 - 30.11.2001)

Xyrofin Oy.

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DOMICILE (reg. 05.11.1986 - 30.11.2001)

Kotka.

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DRAFT TERMS OF MERGER (reg. 30.05.2001 - 30.11.2001)

The companies have 14.05.2001 signed the draft terms of merger.

Company being acquired:

Xyrofin Oy Business ID 0138703-2.

Acquiring company:

Danisco Sweeteners Finland Oy Business ID 1657362-0.

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PERMISSION BY THE REGISTRATION AUTHORITY

(reg. 05.10.2001 - 30.11.2001)

The registration authority has granted a permission to implement the merger.

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IMPLEMENTATION OF MERGER (registered 01.12.2001)

By a permission granted by the registration authority

Xyrofin Oy Business ID 0138703-2, has merged with a company named Danisco Sweeteners Oy Business ID 1657362-0.

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DISSOLUTION (registered 01.12.2001)

The company has been dissolved.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

No information on bankruptcy, liquidation and reorganization proceedings, if any, is available in the computer system from the time preceding September 08, 1994.

01.12.2001 Termination of business entered in the register.

COMPANY NAME HISTORY:

23.10.1991 - 30.11.2001 Xyrofin Oy  
05.11.1986 - 22.10.1991 Suomen Xyrofin Oy  
01.09.1950 - 04.11.1986 Satavehna Oy

Helsinki, 05 December 2003

For a true copy of the extract:

  
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